

Sail Melbourne 2007 Olympic & Invited Class Regatta

15th – 20th January 2007
Incorporating the RSX Mens & Womens Australian Championships.

The Organising Authority is Yachting Victoria Inc.
All racing will be conducted by Sandringham Yacht Club Inc.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4 Under rule 86.2 and regulation 31.1.3, the ISAF has approved the use of Addendum Q for Grade 1 events in 2007 for umpired fleet racing for the last race of each series for Olympic classes. Addendum Q will therefore apply to the last race for all Olympic classes within this regatta.
Refer Addendum Q attached.

1.5 Advertising

(a) The Organising Authority may require boats to display event sponsors advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3.(d) (i) When advertising is supplied, it shall be affixed as follows:

Boats: shall affix a sticker (which may incorporate a bow number and sponsors sticker and which may not be reduced in size) on each side of the hull, parallel to the deck with:

- (i) the forward edge between 200 & 250 mm from the bow of the boat.
- (ii) the top edge no further than 75mm from the deck of the boat.

Sailboards: shall affix the above named stickers on the sail parallel to the wishbone with:

- (i) the forward edge no further than 75 mm from the luff sleeve.
- (ii) the bottom edge no further than 150mm above the wishbone.

All stickers will be available at Registration.

Failure to correctly affix and maintain the stickers may result in disqualification of the boat.

2 CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Ken King Centre.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed between 0800hrs and 2000hrs from the flag pole located adjacent to the Ken King centre. When a signal is displayed over a class flag it applies to that class only.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6 FORMAT OF RACING

6.1 (a) For the Non Olympic classes the regatta will consist of a single series.

(b) For the Olympic classes the regatta will consist of an opening series and a medal race. The opening series will be a single series

6.2 The ten boats ranked highest in the opening series will be assigned to compete in the medal race.

6.3 Assignments to the medal race will be based on the ranking available at 0800 on the day of the medal race. The jury may extend the time limit.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 Racing is scheduled as stated in Attachment 1

7.2 A medals race will be conducted on the last day of racing for each Olympic class, even if the full schedule of racing has not been completed by that day.

7.3 (a) Classes racing on the same course area may be started in any order.

(b) One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule. This will be indicated by displaying numeral pennant No 1 on the race committee finish vessel.

7.4 When there has been a long postponement and when more than one race (or sequence of races, for two or more classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

7.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 17:00hrs.

8 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be as stated in Attachment 2.

9 RACING AREAS

9.1 The racing areas will be displayed on the Official Notice Board.

9.2 Classes are assigned to racing areas as shown in Attachment 1.

- 9.3 The Race Committee may reassign classes to racing areas, but not later than two hours before the scheduled warning signal. However, when AP is displayed ashore, the racing area may be changed until 15 minutes before AP is removed.

10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 The diagrams in Attachment 3 show the courses, including the course signals, approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The course to be sailed will be displayed on a course board mounted on the transom or near the transom of the committee boat
- 10.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 10.3 All courses will be port hand. All marks shall be rounded to port except that, when there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

11 MARKS

Marks will be as described in Attachment 2..

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 12.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 12.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the port-end finishing mark for trapezoid courses and will be between a staff displaying a orange flag on the finishing mark at the port end and the starboard-end finishing mark for windward – leeward courses.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Addendum Q will apply to the “Medal Race” of all Olympic classes.
- 15.2 For the RS:X ,49er, Formula18’s and Tornado class(es) rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 15.3 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 15.4 Appendix P will apply as changed by instruction(s) 15.2.
- 15.5 (a) The race committee may display flag “O” with the warning signal to signal that pumping, rocking and ooching are allowed as specified in the class rules.

- (b) After the starting signal, the race committee may display flag “O” with repetitive sounds at any rounding mark to signal that pumping, rocking and ooching are allowed as specified in the class rules. This instruction applies to a boat after she has passed the mark.
 - (c) If the race committee has acted under instruction 15.5(a) or 15.5(b) and the wind speed becomes less than the limit specified in the class rules, the race committee may display flag “R” with repetitive sounds at any rounding mark to signal that rule 42, as changed by the class rules, applies. This instruction applies to a boat after she has passed the mark.
- 15.6** If in the medal race a boat is protested for breaking rule 42 a third time during the regatta she may acknowledge her breach by immediately retiring from the race. If she does so she will be disqualified without a hearing and her score will not be excluded. If she fails to do so she will be ranked tenth in the regatta. If there are two such boats, they will be ranked ninth and tenth, in order of their opening-series ranks, etc. This changes rule P2.3.

16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Target time</i>
RS:X, 49er, 29ers	60	30
Laser, 470, Tornado, Laser Radial	90	45
Laser 4.7, 420, OK, Tasar, F18	90	45
Skud 18, 2.4m	90	45
Finn, Star, Yngling	90	50
Final Races	45	30

16.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

17.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

17.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

17.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located within the main club house beginning at the time posted.

17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

17.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 15.4 have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the jury will be posted before the protest time limit of the last race of the day.

17.6 Breaches of instructions 2, 12.2, 15.3, 19, 20.2, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 28 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.

- 17.7** On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

- 17.8** On the last day of the regatta a request for redress from a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

- 17.9** Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 .1** The scoring system for all **Olympic classes** will be the new Olympic system, as follows:

- (a) Except for race scores excluded under instruction 18.1.2, a boat's series score for the regatta will be the total of her race scores from the opening series and the medal race, if any.
- (b) For the medal race, rule A4.1 is changed so that the points are doubled, and rule A4.2 is changed so that the scores are based on the number of boats assigned to compete in that race.
- (c) 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series

- 18.1.2**
- (a) When fewer than 5 opening races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from 5 to 9 [opening] races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. [However, the score from the medal race will not be excluded.]
 - (c) When 10 or more [opening] races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. [However, the score from the medal race will not be excluded.]

- 18.1.3** For boats assigned to compete in the medal race, ties in the regatta score are broken by the medal-race score. This changes rule A8.

- 18.1.4** The boats assigned to compete in the medal race will be ranked highest in the regatta.

- 18.1.5** A boat assigned to compete in the medal race shall make a genuine effort to start, sail the course and finish. A breach of this instruction will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). The penalty for this breach will be ranking the boat tenth in the regatta. If there are two such boats, they will be ranked ninth and tenth, in order of their opening-series ranks, etc.

- 18.1.6** The results of the RXS Australian Men & Women's Championships will be the finishing order from the overall results of the O&IC Regatta.

- 18.2.1** All **non Olympic** classes will use the low point scoring system.

- 18.2.2** 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 18.2.3**
- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- 18.3** To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 Sign-On: Sign-Off:

For each race or race session each boat intending to race shall personally 'sign-on' in the race administration area adjacent to the Ken King Centre prior to the warning signal of the race or race session and shall sign-off upon returning to shore, but no later than the end of protest time for that day. Failure to comply with this sailing instruction may result in a boat being penalised for one or more races of that day.

19.2 Personal Flotation Devices:

All competitors shall wear whilst racing, personal flotation devices which are in good condition and in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by a national authority affiliated to the International Sailing Federation, or a standards organisation, or certification authority, recognised for the purpose by its respective government.

Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 1.2

RS:X competitors shall wear, above the waist, a jacket, harness, or vest with the minimum buoyancy of 4kg uninflated in fresh waters (alters rule 40). The buoyancy shall be tested with a ferrous metal weight of 4kg, which shall remain supported for a minimum of 5 minutes.

- 19.3** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1** Requests for substitution of competitors shall be made in writing and will not be allowed without prior written approval of the jury.
- 20.2** Requests for substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: They will fly the Sail Melbourne Burgee. The Race Committee start boat will also display the race area course flag.

23 SUPPORT BOATS

- 23.1** Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and more than 50 metres clear of any mark of the course from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 23.2** All support personal shall register at the registration office. Support boats shall be marked with a white flag of minimum size 400mm by 600mm with large black three character national letters or the national flag of the team(s) they are supporting.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

25 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Star boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

26 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

27 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as detailed in the NOR

28 MEDIA REQUIREMENTS:

Attendance at a media conference at the conclusion of racing on the final day of racing for each class is compulsory for both athletes of the medal winning crews and any other crews as notified by the Organising Authority.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors sail at their own risk. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the organisation of the Sail Melbourne 2007 Regatta accept no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to any person or property, whether ashore or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the Regatta or otherwise. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the Regatta disclaim any and all such liability. The Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor for the management and care of a boat she or he may be sailing in the Regatta.

See rule 4, Decision to Race.

30 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$1,000,000 per event or the equivalent.(recommend AUD\$10,000,000)

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ATTACHMENT 1

Schedule of Races:

CLASS		Sat/Sun 13/14 Jan	MON 15 Jan	TUE 16 Jan	WED 17 Jan	THU 18 Jan	FRI 19 Jan	SAT 20 Jan
Tornado	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	A R1,2, 1300hrs	A R3,4 1300hrs	A R5,6 1300hrs	A R7,8 1300hrs	A R9,10 1300hrs	D Final, 1300hrs
2.4M	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	A R1,2 1300hrs	A R3,4 1300hrs	A R5,6 1300hrs	A R7,8 1300hrs	A R9,10 1300hrs	D Final 1215
RS:X Men	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	A R1,2 1500hrs	A R3,4 1500hrs	A R5,6 1500hrs	A R7,8 1500hrs	A R9,10 1500hrs	D Final 1445hrs
RS:X Women	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	A R1,2 1500hrs	A R3,4 1500hrs	A R5,6 1500hrs	A R7,8 1500hrs	A R9,10 1500hrs	D Final 1430hrs
49er	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	A R1,2,3 1300 hrs	A R4,5,6 1300 hrs	A R7,8,9 1300hrs	A R10,11,12 1300hrs	A R13,14,15 1300 hrs	D Final 1300hrs
Stars Yngling	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	A R1,2, 1300hrs	A R3,4 1300hrs	A R5,6 1300hrs	A R7,8 1300hrs	A R9,10 1300hrs	D Final 1245hrs
29er	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs 16th		A R1,2 1300hrs	A R3,4 1300hrs	A R5,6 1300hrs	A R7,8 1300hrs	B R9,10 1300hrs
Skud 18	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	A R1,2, 1300hrs	A R3,4 1300hrs	A R5,6 1300hrs	A R7,8 1300hrs	A R9,10 1300hrs	D Final, 1230hrs
Formula 18	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0800 – 1100 hrs 18th				A R1,2 1300hrs	A R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs
470	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	B R1,2, 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs	B R7,8 1300hrs	B R9,10 1300hrs	D Final, 1415hrs
OK Dinghy	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0800 – 1100 hrs 18th				B R1,2 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs
Tasar	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0800 – 1100 hrs 18th				B R1,2 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs
420	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0800 – 1100 hrs 16th		B R1,2 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs	B R7,8 1300hrs	B R9,10 1300hrs
Finn	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	B R1,2 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs	B R7,8 1300hrs	B R9,10 1300hrs	D Final 1400hrs
Laser 4.7	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0800 – 1100 hrs 16th		B R1,2 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs	B R7,8 1300hrs	B R9,10 1300hrs
Laser	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	B R1,2 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs	B R7,8 1300hrs	B R9,10 1300hrs	D Final 1345hrs
Laser Radial	Course Race(s) Warning	Reg 0900 – 1700 hrs	B R1,2, 1300hrs	B R3,4 1300hrs	B R5,6 1300hrs	B R7,8 1300hrs	B R9,10 1300hrs	D Final, 1330hrs

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ATTACHMENT 2

CLASS FLAGS

Class Flags will be the class insignia on coloured backgrounds as follows:

CLASS	BACKGROUND	CLASS	BACKGROUND
49er	White	RS:X – Women	White
470	Light Blue	Tornado	White
OK Dinghy	White	2.4 M	White
Tasar	White	Laser Radial & 4.7	Red
Finn	Light Blue	Star	White
Laser	Light Blue	Yngling	White
RS:X – Men	Light Blue	420	White
Skud 18	White	29er	Red
Formula 18	White		

Marks:

Mark	A/D Course	B Course
Start	Race Vessel Red Flag "A" Pink Flag "D"	Race Vessel Green Flag "B"
Start (pin)	Staff Buoy with Orange Flag/Start	Orange Buoy
Finish	Race Vessel	Race Vessel
Finish (pin)	Small Yellow Buoy	Orange Buoy
Marks, 1, 2 3 Trapezoid & "W" Course	Yellow Conical Buoy	Orange Buoy
Mark 1 "T" Course	Pink Cylindrical with Letter A	N/A
Mark 2 "T" Course	Pink Cylindrical with Letter B	N/A
Mark 4 (gate)	Pink Cylindrical	Orange Buoy
Change of Course	Orange Cylindrical	Yellow Buoy

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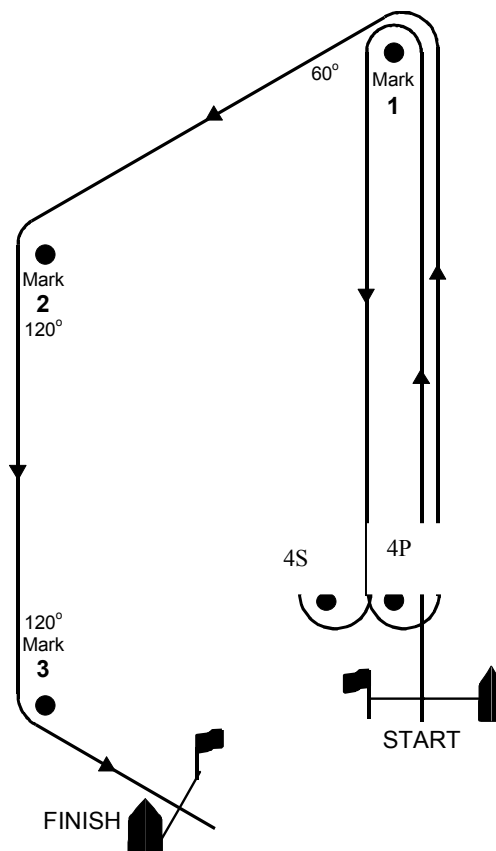
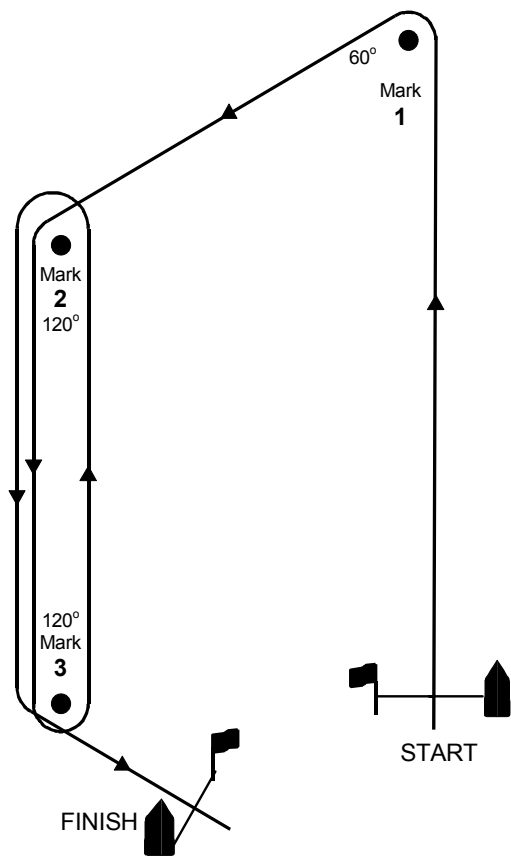
ATTACHMENT 3 Courses

Trapezoid Outer:

- O1: S-1-2-3-2-3-F
- O2: S-1-2-3-2-3-2-3-F
- 1-2-3-F
- O3: S-1-2-3-2-3-2-3-2-3-F

Trapezoid Inner

- I1: S-1-4-1-2-3-F
- I2: S-1-4-1-4-
- I3: S-1-4-1-4-1-4-1-2-3-F



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ATTACHMENT 3

Courses

Windward / Leeward

W1: Start-1-4-1-Finish

T1: Start-A-B-4-A-B-Finish

W2: Start-1-4-1-4-1-Finish

T2: Start-A-B-4-A-B-4-A-B-Fin

W3: Start-1-4-1-4-1-4-1-Finish

W4: Start-1-4-1-4-1-4-1-4-1-Finish

